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Dear Professor Lederberg:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 19. I am sorry to be so long in answering, but I have been quite busy and my correspondence has suffered.

I appreciate your sending me the reference to the biographical statement by Beadle in the Annual Review of Biochemistry. I had already seen it, and have found it very interesting and useful. I wish more scientists would write such autobiographical accounts. It would make the work of the historian considerably easier, and give us access to a whole body of information that is often lost to posterity.

Again, many thanks for your help and interest.

Sincerely yours,

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